

REMARKS

The Office Action of August 13, 2004 has been carefully considered. In response thereto, the claims have been amended as set forth above. Reconsideration and allowance in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

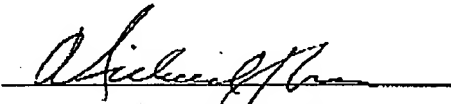
Allowance of claims 31-35 is appreciatively acknowledged. Claims 2, 9-13, 17, 18, and 25-29 were also indicated as containing allowable subject matter.

Of the foregoing claims 2, 17 and 18 have been cancelled. The features of claim 2 have been incorporated into independent claim 1 to render it allowable. The features of claims 17 and 18 have been incorporated into claims 16 to render it allowable.

Claim 15 has been cancelled.

Allowance of claims 1, 3-14, 16, and 19-35 is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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